(c) what action has been taken by Government to dispose these representations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) The Presilent's Police Medal for gallantry and the Police Medal for gallantry are awarded for the conspicuous acts of gallantry. The President's Police Medal for distinguished service and the Police Medal for meritorious service are awarded on the basis of specific distinguished/meritorious record of police service characterised by resource and devotion to duty, including prolonged service of ability and merit. The Police (Special Duty) Medal is conferred to recognise under conditions of particular hardship and/or severe cdimate. The Prime Minister's Police Medal for Life Saving is awarded in recognition of the out Standing work done in saving human life.

(b) and (c) A few representations/protests are received after the announcement of the awards. Prompt action is taken on such communications according to the prescribed procedure.

3910. [*Transferred to the 18th August, 1992*]

3902. DR. ABRAR AHMED:

SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Bodo Security Force has built up arsenal and sophisticated foreign marked arms with the help of insurgent outfits operating on the Indo-Burma border as reported in the Times of India of July 23, 1992;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) The Government are aware of the report carried by the Times of India. According to the available information, the Bodo Security Force has precured some quantity of sophisticated weapons from clandestine sources including other militant outfits.

(c) Security forces have intensified their patrolling and surveillance. The intelligence machinery has also been geared up for collection of specific and advance intelligence to check the inffow of arms. According to the State Govt., these measures have resulted in arrest of over 60 activists and recovery of sophisticated weapons, bombs and ammunitions.

Appointment of compassionate grounds

3903. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per the standing order in Central para-military forces, wife/son/daughter or a near relative of a deceased Government employees who dies in harness, is appointed to a post in Government service on compassionate grounds in relaxation of normal recruitment rules;

(b) whether a married daughter is also considered for a job particularly in a case where there is no other member in the family suitable or eligible for such an employment; and

(c) if not, what are the grounds for making a discrimination between a married son and a married daughter and what steps Government propose to take in such cases to ensure that family of the deceased Government servant does not face starvation in the absence of an earning member in the family?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF